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Engineering and Construction Division (200)

Mr. Chris Field, Unit Manager  
Office of Environmental Cleanup  
United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10  
1200 Sixth Avenue  
Seattle, Washington 98101

Dear Mr. Field:

Reference your letter dated February 9, 2000, requesting information pursuant to Section 104 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, North Pacific Division Lab, 1491 NW Graham Road, Troutdale, Oregon ("the Site").

By letter dated February 16, 2000, we provided partial response to your inquiry concerning the Site (Enclosure 1). This letter provides all documents responsive to your request that we have been able to identify within the thirty days. Enclosure 2 lists the individual questions and provides a narrative response. Enclosure 3 is a list of the documents provided and the questions to which they refer. The documents themselves are provided as Enclosure 4. Some documents may be referenced more than once and some responses may provide partial answers to other questions.

As you know, the laboratory was operated by the Corps of Engineers, North Pacific Division from 1948 until 1996, when operations were turned over to the Portland District. Because the laboratory closed in 1997, many of the records associated with the laboratory have been placed in archives at the Federal Records Center, Willamette Archives, Portland, Oregon, and are retrievable if needed.

We recognize this is an incomplete submittal of records. We wish to provide all information you need and will be requesting other documents from our Northwestern Division office files, contractor files, paper, and computer archives. We believe the balance of the documents can be recovered over the next thirty days. We would like to request a meeting with you, at your earliest convenience, to discuss additional submittal requirements you may have.

As discussed in Enclosure 2, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has reviewed the same documents provided to you in Enclosure 1. The DEQ requested additional clarification and information related to the investigation and cleanup of the site. Concurrent with complying with your request, we are preparing to provide a response to DEQ. We will provide you with a copy of our response to DEQ when it is completed.

If you have any questions, please contact Jerry Christensen or Michael Gross of my staff, at (503) 808-4906 or (503) 808-4913.

Sincerely,

/s/  
Randall J. Butler  
Colonel, Corps of Engineers  
District Engineer

Enclosures

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